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The Gazette to-day enters upon its seventyninth year-a long life considering the extreme mutability of newspaper affairs not only in this but in all countries, and one which in a comparatively small city, immediately around which, through agencies beyond its control, larger and more prosperous communities have grown, and in which as an almost necessary consequence from the events of the times nearly all its cotemporary business houses have ceased to exist or gone out them, is a source of considerable pride to incentive to continue it in the course it has pursued, which, if it has not led on to fortune has, as the subscribers of the paper from all the various parts of the country testify, merited and received the approval of those whose experience and reputation make their approbation a matter of no slight consideration. We shall therefore in the future as in the past continue to give our subscribers daily all the news derived from the latest and most reliable sources, whether of foreign, national, state or local character, supplemented by such brief explanatory or critical comments as may seem to us necessary. With a sincere smile then for those who love, and also to the few who hate us, we extend to all favor of the Southern States paying the interest contrary to our expectations, and detrimental our readers the compliments of the season and many returns of a happy New Year.

THE OLD AND NEW YEAR.—The old year firmanent; while the wintry gale wailed forth its requiem and the solemn bells tolled out its death knell, it passed from the shores of time into the limitless ocean of eternity. Yet which of us will mourn for it? True it came to us amid the mutterings of a threatened strife, and it closed upon a re-united people; it brought us abundant harvest, and it preserved us from postilence and the sword; but like all its predecessors, it closed on disappointed hopes and broken promises; it left us without the renewal of that prosperity we had so fondly expected from it and its memories are of rioting and destruc-

which our Almighty Father sends us, and to consider only the disappointment of our cherished hopes, we lament not over the departed year; but, re-echoing the glad voices of the chiming bells which hailed the advent of the new, we place in it our trust and renew our hopes again, perchance, to be most bitterly disappointed.

The sun of seventy-eight has risen, and gleams upon us with undimmed splendor We have our parts to perform while it shines, be fatuitous indeed. We will see a large inand it behaves us to rise to the level of our duties and our opportunities. God gives His aid to those who help themselves, and useless is vain repining and a childish hoping for "the good time coming" if we help not to bring it on. If the times are hard, let us work the harder; if we cannot afford luxuries, let us do without them; if even comforts are wanting to us, let us do our best to obtain them and trust to God to reward our striving. Above all let us help those that are poorer than ourselves, confident that the blessing of Heaven upon works of mercy will never fail, and that He who caused the widow's meal and oil to fail not, still reigns on high and holds in His hands the destinies view of this state of things, of the present four years. of men. Let us strive to pay our neighbor situation, would our kindly disposed contempowhat we owe him; let us live within our means, though they be little; let our energy and enterprise be increased by the necessity for their exertion, and we shall soon emerge from our present troubles, and see once more, to its recollection the highly interesting story the light of better days.

If we have means, let us not hoard them, his own business? but, with a wise generosity, let us use them in works which will give employment to the for better is work the nev to New Year air-

. well Money good use of their riches for which God made them rich. They are the stewards of Him to whom all the treasures of the earth belong; let them make provision for the day of account, lest they be stewards no longer.

and poor, we tender our most sincere good that has set; if the new day is overcast, we wishes for their prosperity during the 3000 thick more of the cloud than of the glory bewhich has just begun. May the sunshim hind it; and even if the sky is now clear, the

ful one in this hemisphere or the other. After than a present reality. The most faithful repeated warnings, after ominous preparations, after that dread silence which precedes the shock of battle, the dark war-clouds that were hanging over south-eastern Europe burst on maddened peoples and on battling armies. War has been waged between Russia and Turkey with sickening barbarity and with unparalleled horrors. And now whether peace shall smile upon, or war shall continue to desolate the fair seats of the most ancient civilizations in Europe depends upon the single will of England.

In the United States we have passed through an ordeal new to the people and one which tried their institutions to the utmost. The result of it has been that for the first time in our

to be an entire change in the governing departments, both legislative and executive.

That change they confide in alone, under the guidance of the Divine Ruler of the of the families of those who once controlled the emidance of the Divine Ruler of the those things which are before," and thus sceure

> ever disgraced American politics. Whose fault is it, may we ask, that the States of the South financial condition? Who hounded on those plunderers, who stole from these States well nigh all their substance that remained from a desolating and relentless war? After the soldiers on both sides had stacked their arms, who was it that let locs: the leashes of jackals? Who but the most envenomed of the radical republican party, of which the Republican is the accredited and jubilant organ. And that paper must pardon us if we are so bold as to observe that we altogether fail to appreciate suggestions as to the imperative obligation of private individuals paying their debts, coming from a

piece of the too famors Washington ring. The advice given in this article to the Southern planters as to the manner in which they shall carry on their work, on their plantations, will doubtless be gratefully received and thoroughly appreciated by the parties concern-

ed. They know how difficult it is to give advice, and how thoroughly acquainted with the easily acquired system of Southern planting is the editor of the National Republican. To disregard lessons from such a quarter would sole object of his constant and devoted care and crease in the crop of '78, resulting from these rificed his own to the interests of his native, "advices from Washington."

Like a ladies postseript, the latler part of this article contains its purport, which consists in its sting. It is the old charge that labor is press and of corrupt legislators, though Gov. not free in the South-the bloody shirt again. "Labor must be free, absolutely or compuls ry, in order to be successfully employed. What country can expect to thrive under a system of of themselves and of their abilities make them oppressed, uneducated labor?" &c., &c. There is no use of reproducing more of this sort of advancement, may not be omitted, Gov. Kemthing, or of replying to it. The radicals tried per stands boldly forth as one who regardless of their hand at legislating for the South and self did all that was warranted by the confailed disastrously. We are now legislating etitution, to not only secure but to further the for ourselves and are succeeding slowly but interests of the old Commonwealth. He retires surely, notwithstanding the straits our amiable from his office with credit to himself and to the and accommodating friends reduced us to. In State, whose affairs he has managed for the last rary take it amiss if we were diffidently to sug gest to it that among the numerous "wants of the South," a very prominent one just about this time, is a little less advice-in fact, not to make too fine a point of it, if we were to recal of the man who made a fortune by attending to

Hope !- The New York Journal of Commerce, in its editorial on the advent of the

.... s. es utterance to some beautiful are not incapacitated for labor .- | thoughts, touchingly expressed and appropriate This is not the time for the wealthy to to the day! - "As we stand on the height be economise, but rather for them to make that tween the old and the new, which way shall we look? Both becken us, and there is a fascination peculiar to each. Memory would fain have us live in the past, while Hope invites us to turn wholly to the future. Joys that less, windy and rainy Sunday; but it was not have been tasted have left no lasting flavor on enough to save the month from the record of the lip. The most vivid remembrances of hours being the most equable and pleasant we have To all our readers, young and old, rich that were brightest are like the beams of a sun known for years. which has just begun. May the sunshing of prosperity ever light up their pathway; may no sorrows oppress, no evils hurt them; may their worldly goods increase, and their cares and anxieties diminish, and may we have opportunity and occasion to wish them often, as we now do

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

1877 is recorded on the roll of the years that are dead. Nor has it been an unevent
This is now clear, the should good in the sunshine of to day and that which is but a gilded memory. This is none the less which is a gilded memory. This is none the less which is substant and dreamy. Against the background of the most sombre experiences the should but. Even if a tempest that relieve its substant but. Wrecking our home and carrying away the breatous objects to which we so feadly clung, now that its wild fury is a dreadful pageant.

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memory, charge it as we may, will soon lay aside the pencil of the historian f'r the brush and easel of the organize artist, and the paswill glow before our eye. in visions that but faintly represent the actual scenes. Shall we turo, theo, to the future and ask Hope to be our only guide and counselor? There is a hope born of vain confidence. Her promises are giry nothings which, like soap bubbles, glitter a mement before the eye, and bursting, leave but an acrid drop, like a bitter tear, io memory of all their brightness. But hope that is born of Faith is a sarer guide, and it is this Angel of good that off is to clasp our hands to day. With any help we must fr. q rently stum ble while yet in life's pilgrim path. The way is rough and often difficult. Obsteeles lie half hidden before cur feet, and sometimes will clus history, there fills the Chair of Washington ter thickly when we are most weary of the joura citizen not legally elected thereto. Esti- ney. To whatever hand we cllog we shall mable he may be, and doubtless is, in his make many a misstep, and have not a few sore private character; but this will not save him and dispining falls. But this is the only Hand from going down, on the indelible records of that will never wholly fail us. It will elize from going down, on the indelible records of time, as a "de facto" ruler, even if he escape bide with us the politings of the most pittless the more stinging appellation of the "Fraud- storm. They who are in the depths beneath a ulent President." So stern and so true is rayless canopy may have the sweet assurance the verdict of history-that verdict which as well as these on higher ground who can see no man, however lofty, may hope to escape. the rainbow of promise. The Haud is held The New Year opens ominous with gloom closest to us in the darkness, and we cannot and with doubt, at home and abroad. A Through all the remaining way down into the terrible, long continued business depression shadowed valley at its close, over the dividing almost causes to despair the hearts of our stream, and into the Home beyond, never too people. They hold, and justly hold, their righly painted in the most glowing vision, we rulers responsible. The only remedy is felt may have the companionship so freely offered in this hour of our distress, holds us all in saved by Hope!" In this way will be fuffilled those who now conduct it, and a powerful the hollow of His hauds, let us all hopefully to every one our hearty wish of a happy New Year!"

The old year, with its follies, its sins and its "CREDIT OF THE SOUTHERN STATES."-Un- crimes, and their results, has gone! It is a der the above heading the Washington "Na- thing of the past! It and what was done during tional Republican," the organ of the radical it are corpses, the only sensible thing to do with implacables, in its issue of the 31st ultimo, which is to bury them out of sight, remember reads a sanctimonious and uncompromising irg and cherishing their sweet associations, and lecture to the Southern States and their people. | deducing from their experience lessons to guide It is pleased to observe that "there is no doubt us on our future course, but removing from our in the world of the ability of the Southern States | sight, and, if possible, from our remembrance, to pay the interest on their honest funded in as things which neither human nor inhuman debtedness. Neither is there the remotest power can now undo, or erzes from the list of doubt of the ability of private citizens, generally, accomplished facts, and which can only be con in that section of the country, to liquidate their doned by not only a determination, but the obligations, if they are so disposed." On this stern excution thereof, to avoid the possibilities cheerful outlook upon the part of the Republi- that may lead to their recurrence, those acts, cap, it may be said that we are decidedly in the commission of which we now see proved on their honest indebtedness, and that we hold in their effects. The acts of the past cannot it to be the bounden duty of private citizens | be recalled; their effects, if unfortunate, can only in our section to liquidate their obligations, if be counteracted by correctives to be applied in they can possibly do so. But we are also de- the future. Let us then, so far as in us lies, eidedly of the opinion that this whole lecture with regard to National, State or municipal has gone forever. Beneath the countless comes with very bad grace from the most viru- affairs, or, coming nearer home, as respects our stars that gleamed silently from the dark lent organ of the most virulent party that has Christian, moral or social relations, not only usual time for turning over new leaves, but find themselves in their present terribly orippled | see that our resolutions be put into effect, that what has proved injurious in the past shall be thoroughly organized and equipped bands of aveiled in the future, and that if what we may hereafter do shall disappoint us, it cannot at least be said of us that we are either blind or too foolish to avoid the dangers through which we once have passed. The New Year has its possibilities: it will present tides, upon which, if taken at the flood, most of us, if wide awake, can float on to, if not fortune, at least to a better condition than our present one, and the coming of 1879 will prove to their fellows, in this vale of tears, those who have availed themselves of their opportunities and those who have been dullards and sluggards on the way. Above all Prone as we ever are to forget the good journal which is understood to be the mouth- let us beware of the vile habit of Sloth, for it drags many down to hell.

General Kemper's term of office as Governor of the State expired yesterday, and though some of the ideas he holds, as for instance those relating to the funding bill, may not be acceptable to all the people of the State, as they assuredly are not to us, he has shown both by his words and his deeds that not James I4. Kemper, but the State of Virginia, was the attention, and that he, if any one ever did, sacand gow, unfortunately, needy State. Virgioia has had numerous great and good Governors, among whom, in these times of a licentious Berkley, whose words, the condemnation of which has been used still, is seized upon by demagogues and these whese true knowledge aware of their possibilities, as means of political

The inaugural message of Gov. Holliday shows that when the people of the State confided their interests to his hands they counted not without their host, and that in him they will find one who, like his predecessor, has lost self in the more important interests of the publie wea!. With Col. Holliday as Governor and his inaugural to point to, there need be no fear that the honor of Virginia will be tarnished

We are indebted .. to Dr. Thomas Pollard, Commissioner of Agriculture of Virginia, for a copy of his first annual report, making a book of one hundred and twenty three pages. The fact that gold quartz exist in Alexandria coun

ty is omitted-a strange omission. December made one spasmodic effort to save its reputation by sending a dismally cold, cheer-

The Galaxy Magazine has been merged with the Atlantic Monthly.

The Hayes Silver Wedding.

Last night Mr. and Mrs. Hayes celebrated the twenty-fifth recurrence of the anniversary of their marriage, at the White House, in Washington. It is reported to have been "a quiet family affair," not more than one hundred persons, in all, being pre-ent. There were no invited guests, except those whose associations and experiences had not at some time been connected with those of Mr. Hayes and his

The blue, red and green parlors were pro fusely decorated with choice flowers from the conservatory of the Executive Mansion. The east room and main corridors were refulgent with light and odorous with evergreens and exotics. The wedding party was called to dinner, which took place in the State dining room, at 10 o'clock. The entertainment was enlivened with music by a portion of the Marine Band. The President and Mrs. Hayes received several telegrams from old friends congratulating them upon the joyful event. At a comparatively early hour the guests withdrew, with many expressicus of kind wishes for the future wellare of the distinguished hosts.

Among the guests in attendance were President Hayes's sister, Mrs. Platt (with her daughter Laura,) Drs. J. T. and J. O. Webb; Mi-s Lucy Cook, auot of Mrs. Hayes; the mem bers of the Twenty third Ohio Regiment now in Washington, with other Ohio friends, both army associates and private friends of the Pres ident now in this city. Governor Dennison, at whose wedding the President was in attendance thirty years ago; the members of the Cabinet and the Vice President of the United States; Chief Justice and Mrs. Waite, and Associate Justice and Mrs. Swayne, and Mrs. Admiral Dahlgren, widow of the late Admiral Dahlgren, and formerly Mrs. Madeline Vinton Goddard, at whose first wedding the President was a guest, were also present. Others now in Wash ington who were invited were the President's college mates at Kenyon College, members of the Cincipnati Literary Club, Cincipnati lawand Senator Thurman and Doon Platt. The only persons away from this city who were invited were those who were in attendance at the merriage of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes were married on the 30th of Dacember, 1852, in Cincinnati, Onio, at three o'clock in the afternoon. A faw of their most intimate friends were present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. L. D. McCabe, of Delaware, who was present yesterday evening.

The Marine Band was stationed in the hall, next the East Room, and played softly while he company was assembling. Promptly at 9 o'clock Mendelsohn's "Wedling March" was played, and the guests who are staying at the White House and the members of the family formed in procession in couples, the President and Mrs. Hayes leading the way to the East Room through the inner vestibule.

The latter pair placed themselves with their backs to the large eastern window in the centre of the east parlor, and remained there to greet he guests as they arrived through the evening. They stood near where Nelly Grant and Algernon Sartoris stood to be married in May, 1874.

Mrs. Hayes wore a rich white silk of an ivory inge, with draperies of damasse of the same shade. The waist was cut V shape in front and high in the back. The front was filled in with tulle. The sleeves were long. The trained skirt was pleated across the bottom of the front preadth, and above the drapery was figished with fringe. Her hair was plainly dressed, as usual, and with an ivory comb at the back and few white flewers on the side.

Mrs. Mitchell, the President's eldest vicee, is a regal looking lady, and was richly dressed in black silk, relieved with leaves of embroid ry in oclors. Her daughter was also present. Mrs. Platt, the sister of Mrs. Mitchell, wore a very becoming toilet of pale blue silk. The waist was high and the train long and graceful. Miss Foote was dressed to a pale pink silk of a becoming shade, with high waist and a train.

Mrs. Davis, the most intimate friend of Mrs. Hayes, who has known her since her school days, were a heavy silk of the shade known as London smoke, with a petticoat of plainted silk of a pale gray tinge. Mrs. Stapley Matthews were an elegant black

silk, combined with black velvet. Mrs. Sherman (wife of the sceretary) wore a pale pearl colored silk, with claborately trimmed skirts, with draperies of the material, edged

with handsome fringe and puffing. The wife of Postmaster General Key wore a

very handsome toilet of a dark shade of blue silk combined with light blue.

The banquet was spread in the state dining room. The table was beautifully decorated with flowers and covered with choice viands, including terrapio, game of various kinds, fried oysters, fancy ices, confectionery and pyramids of fruit and candied organes, and many other dainties. The cut flowers were arranged in large flat dishes on the horizontal mirror, which extended through the centre of the table, and superb tiger lilies in pots were placed at intervals. There was no wine.

The notice having been published that no presents would be received at the silver wed ding, there were none except a testimonial from the soldiers of the Twenty third Ohi: Volunteer Infantry, whom Colonel Hayes commanded, and who always called his wife "Our Moth-It was a plate of beaten silver on a black background, framed in ebony islaid with ivory. The band played throughout the evening. The guests went went in procession to the supper room between ten und eleven o'clock.

The party did not linger so long as would have been the case had it not been that New Year's duties and pleasures were leoming up before them. Yet it was nearly midnight before the last guest had departed.

The Texas Border Troubles.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 .- A special from San Antonia, Texas, says: The following is an extract from a private letter from El Paso, under date December 19: The rangers fought nobly until Tuesday, when they were sent word that if they would surrender and Howard leave the country they would not hurt him. Lieut. Tays wen! with Howard to the Mexican quarters, and while negotiating with them, thinking all was right, a dozen mon pickel up Howard in their arms and carried him away. While this was going on John Atkinson, a man who had been with the rangers, who had also been treating with the Mexicans, came and told the rangers to surrender by order of Lieut. Tays. mi nation they did. armon they did.

ward that ... the sileged order to surrender from Lieut. Tays was a lie. Atkinson, Howard and Mc Bride were put in front of their graves and nine shots fired at them Howard stood perfectly deflant, with his hands in his pockets. Just before Lieut. Tays went to treat with the Mexicans they sent him word that his quarters were undermined and would be blown up. As Howard left the quarters to treat with the Mexicans he said: 'Good bye, boys.' After the shots were fired Howard was not quite dead, and an old Mexican ran his sword through Howard's body, which afterward was literally cut to pieces. The Mexicans threw the bodies into holes and covered them with sand."

Lawlessness and Bloodshed.

GARLAND, COL., Dec. 3 .- A reign of lawlessness and bloodshed prevails here. Four men were shot this afternoon in a saloon, and dealt in at the N. Y. Stock Exchange, shou men were snot this afternoon in a saloon, and deart in at the M. I. Stock Exchange, should at 8:45 this evening George M. Clay, a lawyer first send to Alex. Frothingham & Co., 12 Wall residing here, entered a concert hall and had St., for their Weekly Financial Report, which a dispute with the barkeeper, whom he cut is sent free. It gives complete information. with a knife and was then himself shot through the temple and is dring.

The new Year.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 .- The weather is delightful but cold, and the day is observed as a close holiday. The Lagislature meets at Albany at noon, and the officers of both the Senate and House, nominated at the republican caucuses last night, are to be chosen, and Gov. Robinson's message presented.

Try it, for it never disappoints. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Per bottle, 25 cents.

The Eastern War.

THE PROPOSED MEDIATION. A dispatch from St. Petersburg says the regrest of the British Government for informanon whether Rus is wou'd be disposed to enter into peace negotiations has been received. accessible to any carnest desire for the restora-

tion of peac'. Lard Derby has sent a note to Count Andrassy expressing the hope that Austria will favor of mediation. It is said that Russia has amounting to over \$100,000. There are small already replied to England's note that if the er amounts which it is said will increase individ-Turks desire an armistice they must apply direct to the Russian Commander in-Chief. Prince Gertschakoff declares that Turkey must a mortgage on the mills for \$60,000, and J. M. know that Russia has always been ready to listen to proposals of peace, and that the preseptation by an intermediary appears un-Decessary.

It is reported that Midnat Pasha has been summoned to Loadon on account of Eagland's acceptance of the Porte's request for mediation. LONDON, Jan. 1 .- A special from Vienna to the Telegraph states that iestructions were sent by telegraph from Sr. Petersburg on Sunday to the Russian commanders in Europe and might be made by the Turks.

THE WAR NEWS The Russians have compied the Balkan Pass ntween Aralkenak and Sophia, and cavalry has been stationed along the Sephia road. The Turkish force was surprised, and the Russian loss was very small in occupying the pass. It is reported that the Turks have burned Sophia heaviest record for any month of the year, and and abandoned it, marching to the Ichteruan defile to bar the Russian advance on Tatar

Bezarej k. The negotiations for the surrender of Autevari have been broken off because the Turkish commander demanded that he should be alyers from 1850 to 1860, Judge R. B. Warden lowed to retreat to Scutari with their arms and artillery. The bombariment is to be recom-

The Czarewitch will remain in Bulgaria with General Todelben as actual commander of the army. There are said to be 26,000 sick in Bulgaria, and that supplies are inadequate. The number probably isolates the Turkish pris-

News of the Day.

There was a christening party at the White House on Sunday. Dr. McCabe christened Fantie and Scott Hayes and the infant daugh ter of Mr. and Mrs. Herron. The latter was bapt'zed Lucy Hayes The ceremony took place in the blue room, where Mrs. Fred Grant's bady was baptized in June, 1876.

All the Berlin specials agree that negotiaions between Prices Bismarck and the Moderate Liberals are not yet concluded, either on account of Bismarck's views concerning taxation or because of difficulties in carrying out his scheme for merging the Prassian in the Imperial Government.

The Spanish Ambassador at Paris has formally notified Minister Waddington that the Spanish Government had cut off all relations with ex Queen Isabelta, whom it regards as insanc. She will never be permitted to return to

Potomac, and Aileghany region state that snow has fallen sufficiently to delay the movement of

The export trade of Richmond, Va., for the year 1877 was \$2,834 747, against \$3,651.911 in 1876. The direct imports were \$196,945, against \$160,707 in 1876.

The Schuylkill Coal Exchange at a meeting held yesterday in Philadelphia advanced the prices of coal and approved of the combina-

Foreign News.

NEW YORK, Jap. J .- The Herald's corres pondent at Rome telegraphs that Gambetta had an interview with Depretis on Sunday, and will probably, be accorded an audience by King Victor Emmanual.

The Pope declined to accept any diplomatic congratulations on New Year's day. The consistery, held yesterday moroiog, was absolutely private instead of semi public. His Holiness conferred hats upon five Cardinals, including Cardinal Manning. He proclaimed eleven Bishopries, none of which are American. On Sun day Cardinal Cattarini imposed the Pallium upon Dr. O'Connell, Procurator for the Arch Bishop of Baltimore. This act constitutes him the official delegate on the part of the Pontili cate to Arch Bishop Gibbons. At the banquet on Sunday, at the English College, in Rome, the guests included Cardinals Mapping and Howard, and the Superiors of the English, Irish, Scotch and American colleges.

TARIFF ON TOBACCO AND LIQUOR-THE IN-COME TAX.—The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Gazette says :- "J. Randolph Tucker, who has been down home in Virginia for a week or so, has returned full of the idea of reducing the tex on tobacco. He and Mr. Burchard, of Illinois, who compose the subcommittee of the House ways and means on the juestion of the tax on spirituous liquors and to bacco, have agreed to report to the whole com mittee in favor of cutting down the tax one third on spirituous liquors and tobacco, and to evy an income tax equivalent to the deficiency thus made. The reduction would fix the tax on whiskey at 60 cents per gallon, and at 16 cents per pound on tobacco. Mr. Tucker takes the ground that producers of tobaco, who sell to manufacturers would get a higher price for their goods if the tox was lower than it now is. because the consumption would be correspondingly iccreased. The Treasury Department is opposed to the reduction, and asserts the belief that it cannot pass."

Union League.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 .- The committee recentv elected to nominate candidates for the offices in the Union League Club have selected Geo. Cabot Ward for President, Wm. Cullen Bryant. Peter Cooper, Elliott C. Cowdin, Noah Davis, James E Mott, William Octon, Luther R. son S. Schultz, Cernelius R. Agnew, and Theo dore Ressevelt, for Vice Presidents.

Ex-President Grant.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 .- A London special says the U. S. steamer Vanda'is, with Gen. Grant and family on board, sailed from Malta for Alexaudria yesterday. A salute was fired from the forts as the Vandalia left the port.

Bleak, chilly March and November are the two worst mouths of the year for those suffering with pulmenary diseases. Keep Dr. Buli's Cough Syrup near by and such sufferers will be able to brave this rough weather without

Every one who contemplates investing or speculating in any bond, stock, or other security

MARRIED.

By Rev. D. F. Sprigg, Dec'r. 29.h, EDGAR PALGET and GEORGIA BAUMGARD. December 20th, at the residence of the bride's

Cousin, C. Edmonston, esq., by R.-v. Dr. Geo.
O. Little, E. H. CLARKSON to Miss MAGGIE
M. BURRAGE. NOTICE-All our accounts are made off and will be rendered to lat January, 1878. Hope our friends will respond promptly.

D. F. BRASHEAR,

jan 1 No. 109 King st., Alexandria, Va. More Failures.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 1 .-- A special Bays :-The German Savings Bank, Lafayette, Indiana. closed yesterday; liabilities eighty-nine thous and, nominal assets ninety-four thousand.

NEW YORK, Jap. 1.—Considerable excite-Nothing has been determined upon, though in ment and indignation was manifested on the well intermed circles it is assumed that Russia | produce exchange yesterday upon the announcewill make no harsh reply, but will show herself | ment that the firm of Jewell Brothers', proprietors of the Brooklyn City Flour Mills, had made an assignment late on Saturday night to George P. Sheldon. Their liabilities amount between \$200,000 and \$300,000, besides debts assist as much as possible England's steps in | to a half dozen more members of the Exchange ual debts to about \$150,000. It is also stated that the equitable Life Insurance Society holds Fiske & Co., a second mortgage for \$90,000. Among the creditors are Jesse Hoyt & Co., \$25 000; Patte & Jacoby, \$12,000; A. E. Kent & Co., \$9,400. The Messrs. Jewell claim that their suspension was due to a great number of bad debts contracted since last May-an extensive shrinkage of values; the necessity of purchasing a large quantity of grain from the West to enable them to bridge over this time between the old and new crops, and an improvement on the property costing \$50,000, which is Asia to receive any overture for a truce that | not now available. They hope soon to resume business. Their increased liabilities are estim .ted at \$125,000.

One hundred failures and assignments were reported in this city in December with aggregate liabilities of nearly \$8,000,000. Eighty nine failures, in which the assets and liati ities have been ascertained, show liabilities at \$7 .-704,391 and assets at \$4,118,777. This is the is an increase of 25 per cent. in number and 300 per centum in amount over the record for the month of November. The creditors of Thomas Keech, superintendent of the bureau of repairs and supplies, who was formerly a builder, yesterday elected Henry A. Toptan. assignee. The schedules showed liabilities of \$270,000 and no assets. The largest claims are the following: -W. D. Murphy, \$92,383; Andrew D. Smith, \$25,400; estate of Charles Fibbons, \$15 000

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 .- A Montreal special says: - Cameron, McKenzie & Co., a large dry goods house of good standing, are in financial difficulty. The liabilities are about \$250,000.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.-The Bull's Head Bank will to morrow post a notice that it will receive no more deposits, and will proceed immediately to wind up its business. Linek of business is the cause.

The Governor's Inaugural.

RICHMOND, Jan. 1-3 30 p. m -Gov r. Holliday, in his inaugural, gave expression to this grand sentiment: "Our duty, my fellow countrymen, is to device means to pay the debt-not find ways to avoid it." These words caused constornation and wrath in the ranks of the forciblo readjustors, but struck a responsive chord in the breast of every true lover of the commonwealth.

COMMERCIAL.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, January 1, 1877 .-The transactions on 'Change are limited, but the market generally shows a slight improvement. Reports from the western part of this State, Wheat is in light receip', and small lots sold toincluding the valley between Staupton and the | day at 140 and 142. About 1000 bushels of new Corn brought 50, 51 and 52. No offerings of Rye or Oats. Country produce is scarce, and should the weather continue cold prices will advance.

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET, Dec'r. 31 .-Beef Cattle-Prices to-day ranged as follows : Medium or good fair quality..........3 50 s 4 00 Ordinary thin Steers, Oxen and Cows 2 75 a 3 25 Most of the sales were from ....... 1 00 a 4 75

Total receipts for the week 1009 head. Total sales for the week 967 head. The market has been fairly active this week under the influence of quite a limited run; and of the offerings there were very few good tops, and prices for them were sale higher. Other grades showed nearly as fair an improvement. Milch Cows-There has been a fair demand

or good Cows, which are scarce. We quote at 30a 555 per head at retail. Sheep-The receipts continue light, scarcely equal to an economical demand. The quality, too, of the offerings is mostly indifferent, no good Sheep being among them. The demand is limited. We quote at 4a522 per lb gross, few selling at the latter price. Receipts this week

Hogs-Prices are fully 12 better, with a fair demand. We quote at 512522 for extreme tail ends, better grades 53 a6c, with most sales at or near 6c per lb net. Receipts this week 4187 hd.

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